

that's about the only thing it would accomplish.

SENATOR ROBINSON: I hope everyone heard Senator Moore's answer. I would urge everyone to...what? He said from 600,000 to 800,000 out of General Funds, Senator Wehrbein. So I'd urge all of you to vote no on the amendment to the Chambers amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Robinson. Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President, members. I rise in opposition to the amendment because I think what it does it creates an enormous fiscal impact. If I understand it correctly because of the way the amendment is drafted, it will actually increase the state's match from 5 percent to 6 percent which will again impact I think in a very large amount the A bill which is going to have to accompany this. I think Senator Moore just mentioned that the purpose of the bill was to raise "x" number of dollars, and I think the impact is now going to raise however much they wanted to raise less the half a million or whatever the figures come out to, and I don't think we have those figures. It's going to raise significantly less. Again, we get to the issue of do we adjust fees more then to make up for that? Do we raise taxes elsewhere? Do we cut spending elsewhere? How do we make up for that because I don't think we're accomplishing what the intent is. And again, this gets back to some of the issues that Senator Crosby raised in the very first floor speech on this bill and that is these are some of the things that ought to be hashed out in committee. They weren't raised in committee because the bill never had an option to go there. I simply think that at this point the concept may or may not be a good concept. Clearly it's not in my opinion a good concept. There are those of you who may think it is. But we ought to make sure it's drafted technically correct because those contributions to pension plans are not a reversible sort of thing. Once they're in there, they're in there and we're not going to touch them again. So if we end up overfunding the system, if we end up overfunding the system, that money is gone and we got to make up for it somewhere. I think we ought to be very careful in crafting legislation in this area, and I don't think this is the time to be drafting on the floor where it's susceptible to this type of mistake. I'd urge the rejection of the amendment to the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Senator Fisher.